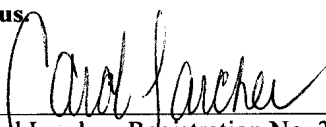


U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES</b> <b>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)</b> <b>CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 CFR 1.491</b>		ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.  43512-104208 U.S. APPLICATION NO. 10/573,165 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 17 October 2003 (17.10.2003)
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TITLE OF INVENTION <b>AFFINITY RESIN</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Tanaka et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).		
4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).		
5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ul>		
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ul>		
7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ul>		
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF)</li> <li>b. Specification Sequence Listing on:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Copy</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies</li> </ul>		
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12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Form PTO-1449</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Copies of Listed Documents</li> </ul>		
13. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
14. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.		
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.		
16. <input type="checkbox"/> Power(s) of Attorney and/or address letter.		
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<b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b>					
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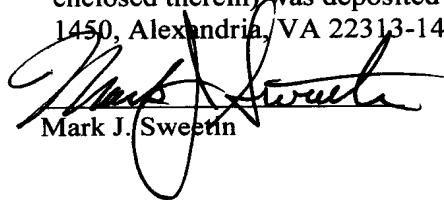
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